

REMARKS

In the Advisory Action of January 10, 2007, the claims 1-5 and 8-12 were indicated to be allowed, but it was indicated that the proposed amendment would not be entered. The Examiner did, however, suggest a claim 6.

Applicants submit that claim 6 herewith except for adding at line 3 from the bottom “, spray-drying the slurry”.

This is believed necessary to provide some basis for “to thereby granulate the slurry”.

This was discussed with the Examiner during a telephone interview on January 17, 2007, and the Examiner indicated he would prefer to see a written version of claim 6 for full consideration. No other issues were discussed during that telephone interview.

Entrance and allowance are requested.

In view of the above, reconsideration and allowance of this application are now believed to be in order, and such actions are hereby solicited. If any points remain in issue which the Examiner feels may be best resolved through a personal or telephone interview, the Examiner is kindly requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116
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The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account.

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